earthly, and gave no heed to what he said. She must have managed, I thought, to come here the very same way as she had done once before while I was in the Andamans.

As they were moving past the gates, I could not help keeping my eager eyes feasting on her ever so endearing form, as long as they appeared visible from where I stood. It appeared to me as if they *i.e.* **she" in particular could not bear the intensity of my gaze due to longing in my eyes for her form, so that she had at last to request me not to be looking at them so eagerly; giving me the assurance that we would meet now and again and that there was no reason for me to despair. This assurance gave me strength and I returned to my work. Just a few days after this incident she appeared for the next time one evening before my cell, after we had all got locked up in our respective cells or rooms. None of her companions came with her this time, so that she was all alone by herself. This time too, I

had to play the mute in the course of the conversation that followed and she did the talking. **How long was such a state of things to continue? " I asked. There was at least seme